

Personal Statement

When I arrived in Bolivia with the help of the JJCF to volunteer with Etta Projects, I had no idea to what extent I would involve myself in the organization, with the communities we work and, and with the individual projects. Over my time I was able to adapt and change my position to support crucial changes within the organization and take part in all aspects the its functioning. JJCF not only supported my time financially, but helped me think critically about my work and the work of the organization through regular reports and updates. Additionally, the continued contact with others with experience in international development helped put my work into a larger context. I can only say that I personally grew and adapted through my new, challenging, but eventually rewarding experience and that the organization was able to grow and improve thanks to JJCFs support also. The support shown by JJCF will be seen in changes throughout lowland Bolivian communities for years to come in the future!